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PROGRESSION.

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LAKE WAUKEWAN.

No sound of wheels or hoof-beat breaks
The silence of the summer day,
As by the loveliest of lakes
I pass the idle hours away.

At times a sudden rush of air
Flutters the lazy leaves o'erhead,
And gleams of sunshine toss and flare
Like torches down the path I tread.

I ask myself, Is this a dream?
Will it vanish into air?
Is there a land of such supreme
And perfect beauty anywhere?

Sweet vision! Do not fade away;
Linger until my heart shall take
Into itself the summer day,
And all the beauty of the lake.

—*Longfellow.*

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1891.

OUR NAME AND AIM.

Webster and Worcester both define *Progression* as *Advance*. We present this publication hoping that it may *advance* the welfare and best interests of the whole town. We propose to stand upon this platform. In Politics we are Protectionists: we believe that our traders and business firms should be patronized in preference to outside parties; and in conformity to to this belief we propose to publish no advertising that will conflict with Meredith Business Firms. We believe that towns, as well as individuals, should advertise; we propose to occasionally print a view, or object of interest in the town, and thus show the advantages of Meredith as a summer resort, and induce more people to visit us each season. We believe that towns are what the inhabitants make them; that the people who live in a village are in a great measure responsible for its prosperity; that fault finding and asking each other "why don't *you* do so and so" never will *advance* our prosperity as a community. We ask the co-operation of the whole town in our efforts, and any communication which has for its subject, the advancement of the town of Meredith (no politics or fault finding) will be gladly received and published. Will you help us make "Progression?"

TOWN FAIR.

Wouldn't it be in the line of progression to have a Town Fair in Meredith?

It certainly couldn't injure us and it might be a source of profit to us all. Other towns hold successful and beneficial gatherings of this kind.

Meredith has a large and prosperous grange, the result of united effort, where the farmers meet twice a month for mutual benefit and entertainment, and if some member of the Grange would make a start the traders and business men would fall in and push the fair to a success.

The following is from an agricultural paper of recent date.

"Fairs should be kept up as annual farmer's festivals, where the women and children can go and feel free to look on and ask questions and feel that the occasion is their own and that they are neither intruding nor visiting. Small fairs got up by towns or districts, with no fence and no money to be paid either way have done more good in proportion to the expense and the number who attend them than the larger and more machine-like exhibitions where the money at stake induces fraud and contention. Go to the local fair anyway and labor to improve it."

If it is too late for this season let us bear it in mind and be ready for a good one next year.

Let us have a Town Fair.

WHAT MEREDITH NEEDS.

Opinions Expressed by Some of our Leading Citizens.

BY A CLERGYMAN.

Beautiful for situation, with an unusual variety of hill, vale, lake and mountain scenery, is situated the town of Meredith, N. H., on the northern border of Lake "Winnipesaukee" which in Aboriginal lore signifies "The Smile of the Great Spirit." Truly does this term apply to the many beautiful views in the natural scenery of this entire town, where are found as many, if not more, of fine farmhouse views of surpassing loveliness of country scenery than in any other town in New Hampshire. Many of these farm-houses and boarding-houses during the past season have been filled to overflowing with summer boarders coming from the east, the west, and the sunny south, from Chicago, Atlanta, New York, Boston, Cambridge, Springfield, California, from cities of lesser note, and from many a country and seashore town.

As the guests leave for their homes they express themselves (as a rule) as most highly pleased with this locality as a "summer resort." Its pure air and water, its dairy products, pure and unadulterated, fresh from the fountains. Its abundant supply of berries and vegetables fresh from the gardens, fields, and pastures. These so furnish our tables with good and wholesome food as to fully satisfy the inner man.

The outlook, also, is fair to look upon, and pleasing to the eye of the beholder. All unite in saying "This is a goodly land." "I wish my stay were longer." "I think I will come again."

Now what shall we residents do for the future well being and prosperity of our town? Suggestions:

First, Let the business men "start up" some new enterprise, which shall more fully develop our safe and unsurpassed water power so as to draw *in* and *hold* the laboring man, the real bone and sinew of any community.

Second, Let the Landlords improve and beautify their "Tenement houses" and so reduce their rents that the poor man can here live by the labor of his hands, and with them enjoy the comforts, beauties and luxuries of life.

Let all good citizens be frank, open-hearted, generous and charitable to each, hospitable to strangers; Looking closely to both the financial and moral interests of all, whether citizen or stranger.

Let the "Rum Traffic" in any form be squarely met in a righteous indignation, both in moral and in legal suasion.

Let the religious societies awake, and rise up to their high profession, calling, and *true* position; putting on an *higher type* of Christianity in a less degree of the love of money, less of a worldly spirit, more of the spirit of Christ and of humanity, more of earnest effort for the salvation of men. Ever ready to grasp the hand of the stranger with an hearty *Welcome* to our hearts, homes, and churches. Truthfully saying to one and all "Come thou with us and we will do thee good; for the Lord hath spoken good concerning" Meredith.

BY A MERCHANT.

What does the town need?

First, Better highways, and to obtain them let us make our highway tax payable in money; let us choose two or three competent men to take care of the roads; let these men hire the men to work, and pay them according to the time they labor.

But the farmer says "We have all we can do to pay our taxes now." We admit that they do, and so do the

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R. R. TIME TABLE.

NORTH.

Paper Train	7:47 a. m.
Montreal Express	12:26 p. m.
Mail	1:12 "
White Mountain Express	4:42 "
Express	11:02 "

SOUTH.

Express	4:24 a. m.
Accommodation	8:14 "
Mail	12:57 p. m.
Montreal Express	5:17 "
Mixed	7:48 "

LAKE SHORE R. R.

Leave Lake Village 7:10 a. m., 2:55 p. m.
Arrive at Alton Bay 8:50 a. m., 3:35 p. m.

RETURNING

Leave Alton Bay 12:03 p. m., 4:30 p. m.
Arrive at Lake Village 12:53 p. m., 5:25 p. m.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Mrs. B. D. Plaisted is quite sick.

Mrs. E. E. Kendrick of Lake Village is in town.

Herbert O. Moulton has been appointed Truant Officer.

Regular Communication of Chocorua Lodge this evening.

Geo. H. Norris is in Boston for two weeks among friends.

Mrs. B. F. Roberts is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Charles Tuttle and wife of Lake Village have been in town recently.

Mark Boynton is enjoying a vacation in Manchester and other cities.

A harvest festival is to be held at the South church in the near future.

Frank Grantham of Bolton, Mass., was with old friends here a few days recently.

Miss Dena Woodman brought to us a bunch of full-blown apple blossoms Monday.

Chase made a trip to Meredith Centre recently and brought back some fine views.

Dr. O. Goss of Lake Village was in town Thursday, in consultation with Dr. Hawkins.

Miss Nellie F. Colby of Campton, formerly a resident here, was in town Friday of last week.

Fred Delano is on duty at Sanborn's drug store for a week, as Mr. Edgerly is away on a vacation.

Ira Sanborn, an old resident of this place, died of apoplexy Sunday at the advanced age of 91 years.

The last of the guests at the Prospect House departed last Saturday noon for their homes in Montreal.

Otis Davis and wife of Lake Village were in town over Sunday as the guests of Willis Meade and wife.

Herbert D. Morrison has recovered from his sickness and is back with us again, at D. F. Bean's.

Mrs. Lovey A. Lang is slowly recovering from the effects of the paralytic shock she sustained a few days since.

A prayer meeting was held at Cram school house last evening, by the union christian worker's club recently formed here.

C. W. Morrison took charge of the telegraph office at the station Saturday evening in the absence of the regular operator.

F. B. Pease of the firm of Pease & Towle is making a pleasure trip to the northern part of the state, returning through Vt., he goes with his team.

Albert Kidder and family have been rusticating in the southern part of the State. "Feb" Smith officiated at the store (as usual) during Albert's absence.

J. J. A. Reynolds and assistant have been doing some painting in Ashland of late. Evidently Ashland people are acquainted with John and his work.

W. H. Moses and wife of Tilton have been visiting at T. S. Moses' a few days of late. Will had to go out gunning (as usual) Saturday morning, capturing three grays.

Nathan D. Morrison is again at work at Geo. H. Clark & Co.'s manufactory after an enforced absence on account of a bad fall in the rear of the grist mill a short time since.

William Blake a former resident and a brother of M. E. Blake of this place is in town from Detroit, Mich. He is a brass spinner by trade. His wife, who has been in Moultonboro for a year past, will accompany him on his return west to-morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Prescott have been visiting friends in Lake Village and Laconia, the past week. This is the first day John has been absent from his work since he took charge of Cox's Livery and Express business over a year ago.

Mrs. Charles Smith of this place, who has been ill for a long time died at her home on the Centre Harbor road Sunday evening last, at about 8 o'clock, aged 71 years. The bereaved husband has the sympathy of the community in general.

A union prayer meeting was held at the Cong. chapel Sunday evening. A band of workers was organized for earnest, persistent christian work, and it is expected that much good will result from the united efforts of our churches. Another union meeting will be held at the South Church chapel next Sunday.

On account of the bad appearance of the weather Thursday morning of last week, many who were intending to go on the excursion to the mountains, gave up the idea, only to feel greatly provoked when in a few hours the sun put in an appearance through the clouds, making an almost perfect day for such an outing.

In the last issue of the Laconia Democrat is a communication from our respected fellow townsman and Editor of Weirs Times. While we agree with him in his protest, we decidedly object to his calling our Post Office, Meredith Village. The name was changed some time ago to Meredith. Please drop the Village, Bro. Calvert.

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MEREDITH, - - N. H.

LOCAL MATTERS.

John Smith, Jr., of Boston, is in town.

Miss Lenna Wallace is home from Boston on account of sickness.

Mrs. William T. Elliott is to spend the winter in Boston, with her son, Dr. F. W. Elliott.

H. S. Knowles returns to Bethlehem to-morrow, where he has an engagement in a general store.

F. L. Gilman of Laconia, a special examiner for the post offices in Belknap county was in town yesterday afternoon inspecting the Meredith post office, from here he went to Centre Harbor, which completes the examination of offices recently ordered by the Postmaster-general.

Unclaimed letters at Meredith Post office, Oct. 12, 1891, Mrs. A. S. Clark, Miss Nora Crane, Miss Nellie M. Davis, Mr. John Dugan, Miss Mary Fellows, Arthur F. Gray, Bridgie Ladd, Norman Merral, Mrs. William F. Phelps, Mr. James F. Smith, J. Wm. Wallace. F. H. Cram, P. M.

One of M. C. Brown's double teams, loaded with empty barrels, had a little too much speed on as they turned the corner near the school house in the Pease district Monday, and in consequence the driver, load and a part of the wagon were left behind while the horses made good time in the direction of Meredith Centre. Miss O. E. Osgood and sister were out driving at the time and met the horses as they came rushing along. They barely had time to turn out and even then hardly succeeded in doing so, as their wagon was struck by the runaways, but not enough to do any damage aside from a bad shaking. The cause of the runaway was an accident and not the fault of the horses.

MEREDITH CENTRE.

Joseph F. Smith has filled his silo.

Fred Beede is at work at Laconia.

Miss Mamie Pitman was in town recently.

J. S. Sanborn has been at work for N. B. Plummer.

When will those "Library catalogues" be ready for the people?

E. Gordon of New Hampton has been drawing a few logs from a lot near our mill.

The harvest supper at the vestry Thursday eve., the 8th inst., was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Boynton lately from Orlando, Florida, were visiting near here last week.

Did you see the balloon go south the 30th? Well it went north Oct. 1st also. Were you looking?

Mr. Edwin Kimball is making some repairs on his dwelling house since his return from Vermont.

If you have any new cider to boil down, don't use a sap pan unless you want to spoil your cider. One who tried it.

Mr. J. M. Smith who got his leg broken at Tilton fair, is said to be getting on nicely with hopes of a speedy recovery.

The family burying ground at the Smith Lawrence homestead has lately been improved by the addition of a good stone wall. Messrs. C. L. Kimball and J. Fogg with oxen did the job.

W. B. Smith's span with large wagon and Herman to handle the lines, took our base ball club to New Hampton the 3d. They "whittled" the New Hampton boys in seven innings to the tune of 30 to 14.

Do you care to know how O. J. Piper's boys succeeded in farming this year? After the spring's work they had one day in planting, two days in hoeing and missed no school. Result as below: Hay cut and drawn in by hand on wagon wheels, estimated 2 tons, number of bushels of produce, assorted potatoes 40, snap corn 3, dry sweet corn 2, wheat 4½, hand picked beans 3, onions 1½, fall and winter apples 22, beets ½, turnips 1, cucumbers 3, dry oats and peas ½. Squashes 100, of which 50 were large, tomatoes 2 bushels, cultivated strawberries 110 qts.

WHY WE DID IT.

During the past summer, this question has constantly been before us: Isn't there something that can be done to increase the prosperity of our town and village? About a month ago, it occured to us that an occasional paper containing views from different parts of the town, with reading matter of interest to us all, might serve to awaken us to our possibilities. With this object in view advertisements were solicited, and to most of the advertisers it was stated that the publication might be made permanent. At this stage it was suggested that it be issued semi-monthly; after consulting some business men of good judgment it was decided to do so: then some one asked "Why not make it a weekly paper?" This question was a hard one to answer, but after studying it in all its bearings (financially and morally) we answer "why not?" and present our first issue, a copy of which will be sent to every family in town. In deviating from the first plan, we did so conscientiously and as we believe for the best interests of our advertisers.

STATE NEWS.

Laconia is to hold its annual parade of the fire department next Friday.

The annual session of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. is in session at Newport.

The next meeting of the Belknap County Pomona grange is to be held in Barnstead to-day.

The Concord & Montreal railroad is putting its engines in shape to heat cars by steam.

Lake Village people think that Lakeport is a more suitable name for their thriving borough.

Lancaster boasts of an elm tree which measures twenty-two feet in circumference two feet from the ground.

Lake Village is soon to have a new $1000 town clock. It is to be placed on the new Freewill Baptist Church.

In Suncook, between Saturday night and Monday night, five persons died out of one family. Diptheria caused it.

The water question is being agitated in Alton. It is proposed to form a stock company to supply the village with water.

At Contoocook, the 5th inst., Mrs. Maria Folsom, 79 years of age fell down an entire flight of stairs, fracturing her right arm.

Freemont E. Shurtleff of Concord has been appointed Clerk of the U. S. circuit court to succeed the late William H. Hackett.

William P. Hill, the oldest merchant in Tilton, was found dead in bed last Thursday morning. He had lived in Tilton over forty years.

Franklin is to light its streets with Electricity. A contract has been made with the Edison Co., for a forty-five arc light plant for five years.

Hon. Amos A. Parker of Fitzwilliam was one hundred years old Oct. 8th. Mr. Parker has been a justice of the peace fifty-nine years; was aid to Gov. Morrill two years; in the state legislature thirteen times; a trustee of the N. H. Asylum for the Insane eight years; been first selectman of Fitzwilliam ten years, and has been a member of the bar for seventy years.

FOR SALE.

Morrison the Druggist offers two second-hand ash chamber sets in first-class condition for sale cheap.

BIRTHS.

SWAIN—In Meredith, Oct. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Swain, a daughter.

DEATHS.

SANBORN—In Meredith, Oct. 11, Ira Sanborn, aged 91 years.

SMITH—In Meredith, Oct. 11, Mrs. Charles Smith, aged 71 years.

What are You Going to Read This Winter?

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WHAT MEREDITH NEEDS.

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traders and laboring men, but we will predict that our money taxes will be no more than now if the town will get out of the old ruts, abolish the labor tax and treat our road repairs as it does the rest of its business.

Second. To use a slang phrase, we need "more sand." Our capitalists should take some risk and invest their surplus at home, rather than send it to Kansas and help build up towns there.

Third. We need less selfishness and more united effort. Let us cease from fault finding and unjust criticism, and all together give a long steady pull and we will "get there."

BY A FARMER.

In order to build up and beautify our village and town, home capital must necessarily be used, for if we take no pride in our appearance as a town, we should not expect that outside capital will do that, which we refuse to do for ourselves.

There are many industries in surrounding towns that are doing a thriving business, that are laboring under many disadvantages, such as cost of transportation and insufficient power.

Similar industries located in Meredith would have an advantage by having plenty of power and cheap rates of transportation. We are surrounded by a large quantity and fine quality of hard wood or timber. This kind of timber has of late been in active demand in the markets.

What better can we do than to start a good live business in the manufacturing of such timber into the various uses needed by the public?

There should be a first class gristmill to accommodate so large an agricultural community. One has but a faint idea of the amount of trade annually lost to the town by the farmers, who, as they are compelled to go to the large centres to carry grain, will also do the greater part of their trading there.

In order to be successful, the trade in grain should be under the control of the party running the mill.

Our roads should be greatly improved by a proper outlay of taxes, which should be done under the supervision of a competent superintendent of streets instead of the present slipshod system which defrauds the traveling public of their just rights.

The present season has demonstrated the fact that our town is becoming a favorite resort for the city boarders. With a small amount of capital invested, better accommodations could be provided for their entertainment, and good returns received from the same.

In order to make our property more secure and our insurance less, there should be a good water supply sufficient to protect our homes and our business interests.

STRAY SMILES.

An envelope is like a woman: It can't go anywhere without address.

Why is a compositor like a cripple? Because he can't get along without his stick.

THE OPEN SEASON.

"You think you are getting a little fly, don't you?" said the man to the trout, as he leisurely pulled him in.

"I do seem to be catching on," replied the trout.—*Life.*

A GOOD COMBINATION.

Reporter—Here is my account of that Boston man and the Chicago girl.

Editor—Have you put a head on it?

Reporter—Certainly. "Pork and beans."—*Judge.*

MEREDITH AS A POPULAR SUMMER RESORT.

As a Summer Resort, Meredith certainly will compare favorably with other towns in the state. The past season has been more than up to the average both in number of visitors and length of season.

Meredith is situated on the line of the Railroad, is easy of access from all cities both north and south. The eastern portion borders on Lake Winnipesaukee with Lake Winnesquam on the south, while within the town is Lake Waukewan, Lake Wicwas, Kelley, Pemigewasset and other ponds which afford abundant opportunity for fishing, sailing and bathing.

The variety and beauty of its scenery is unsurpassed; the numerous highways furnish an unlimited number of lovely drives and walks.

The following is a list of houses and families who have had summer guests, with the number at each.

Gilman Farm,	6
Clouston Farm,	6
Prospect House,	50
Mountain View House,	34
R. L. Venzey,	9
O. N. Roberts,	10
Bear Island,	100
Pine Island,	15
Solomon Lovejoy,	8
S. B. Meloon,	14
J. C. Dockham,	16
J. N. Eaton,	1
Teele Cottage,	7
Maplewood House,	18
Bay View House,	30
T. Ham,	5
Mrs. Worrall,	4
A. S. Clough,	10
Elm House,	173
Mrs. A. A. Kidder, (Rooms only)	4
J. H. Knowles, " "	2
Lake House, " "	5
D. A. Ambrose,	3
F. Bixby,	3
Waukewan House,	100
J. Hodsdon,	8
W. W. Ballard,	40
D. S. Burleigh,	5
Meade Boynton,	2
J. H. Batchelder,	1
L. Chase,	5
A. Smith,	3
W. B. Smith,	11
J. Mudgett,	4
N. B. Plummer,	18

To the above should be added the following houses which get their mail and do their trading in Meredith:—

Squam Mountain House, Holderness,	62
Linwood House, Holderness,	46
Grampion " Centre Harbor,	80
Pine Hill Cottage, " "	21
A. W. Canney, " "	19

SIGNS OF PROGRESSION.

D. A. Ambrose is building an addition to his residence at the corner of Main and Waukewan Sts.

Surveyor Smith has been improving the sidewalk on the south side of Lake St., by putting in new edge stones from Main St., to Warren Clough's residence.

Trimming the trees on Main St., near G. G. Hoyt's residence makes a very decided improvement in the looks of the street, and removes a dangerous obstacle to teams and carriages.

The Trustees of the Public Library have recently purchased and added to the Library 250 new books, making the total number of volumes in the Library at the present time, 2000. The Trustees and Librarian are working on the new catalogue, which will soon be ready for the printer, and when completed will be a book that has long been needed, and will be highly appreciated by both Librarian and patrons of the Library as the old catalogue with its numerous supplements was decidedly out of date.

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A restless feeling o'er me steals that's hard to be withstood.
I cannot work, I cannot rest, but far away would roam,
For now the orchards are in bloom in my New England home.

I've prospered well; these level fields as far as you can see,
They all are bought and paid for, and they all belong to me.
I never could have done so well at home, you may be sure;
I smile sometimes to think upon those farms so thin and poor;
But as I sit behind my team and plough the deep black loam,
I see the apple-trees in bloom round my New England home.

Straight east I draw my furrows wide to meet the rising sun,
Then turn and drive straight westward, and so till day is done;
And then in Autumn's glorious time, when days are calm and bright,
Miles upon miles of ripening grain wave in the golden light.
But when at night I seek my bed, in visions sweet I roam
The hills of old New England, around my childhood's home.

My boys are grown to stalwart men, my girls are fair to see,
They're proud of this free western land and wonder much at me;
But they have never stood upon the mountain summit grand,
Nor seen old Ocean's crested waves break foaming on the strand,
Nor ever known the sweet delight in forest wilds to roam,
Nor seen the apple trees in bloom round my New England home.

The swallow seeks the grove where first it saw the sun's bright gleam,
The salmon leaps the torrent's fall to reach its native stream,
A thousand leagues the wild goose flies on tireless wing o'erhead,
Straight as an arrow to the bleak, bare north where it was bred;
So in the spring my faithful heart, holding all else in scorn,
Turns back to old New England and the home where I was born.

Though here I've cast my lot for life, and here I must remain
Till death shall plough me under like stubble on the plain,
Make not my grave in this far land, but place me if you will
Within my father's burial lot, upon the wind-swept hill,
Where I may watch the mountains glow and ocean break in foam
And see in spring the orchards bloom round my New England home.

WEST CENTRE HARBOR.

Sylvester F. Mudgett has been repairing his house.

John L. Randall has been absent from town for some time.

Miss Lizzie S. Piper has returned home after a summer's absence.

Miss Gertrude M. Davis of New Hampton recently visited the family of Annie D. Webster.

The prayer meetings which have fomerly been held Wednesday evenings, have been changed to Thursday evenings.

CENTRE HARBOR.

H. M. Senter is not so well.

Mrs. T. C. Gordon is improving in health.

The Senter House has closed for the season.

Mrs. Myra Dolloff is working at T. C. Gordon's.

J. D. Bates is building an addition to his hot-house at "The Briers."

Charles Hanson is sick. He is with his granddaughter, Mrs. George Leighton.

A little son has put in an appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis J. Caverly.

Miss Annie Tappan has gone to Concord. She has finished work in the family of D. W. Coe, where she has been employed for several years.

The fence surrounding the Bean cemetery near this village has been much improved, Richard Sturtevant, of the firm of Sturtevant Bros., of Boston, recently gave paint for the same on condition that the persons intrusted should have the work properly done and this condition was complied with.

Y. P. S. C. E. CONVENTION.

By invitation of the society here, Winnipiseogee Union, Y. P. S. C. E., held its quarterly convention at the Congregational church of this place Monday of last week. About 125 from the societies in adjoining towns were present and an interesting meeting was held, the exercises beginning at 10 a. m., and continuing until 4:45 p. m., with the exception of an intermission for dinner, which was served in the chapel adjoining the church. Many of our older people took advantage of the opportunity to be present, and expressed themselves as much surprised with the earnestness of the young people in their work for the Master. All things considered, the gathering was a success, and the members of the society here wish, through these columns, to thank those who so kindly assisted them in entertaining their out-of-town brothers and sisters.

Several of our people took advantage of the low rates to Boston, Thursday, and for a few days looked over the attractions at the Hub.

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